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## **AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

SIR:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application is an Amendment in response to the Office Action of November 13, 2009, the three-month response period expires on February 16, 2010 (February 13, 2010 fell on a Saturday, February 15, 2010 was a Federal Holiday).

The <u>additional claim fee</u> of \$1,180.00 (\$660.00 for the three (3) net added total claims and \$520.00 for the ten (10) net added independent claim) is being paid by credit card.

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